In the Claims

- 1. (Currently Amended) A method of treating a viral infection, the method comprising administering to an individual an effective amount of IFN- α and an effective amount of IFN- γ , and co-administering an amount of a non-pirfenidone/pirfenidone-non-pirfenidone or non-pirfenidone analog agent effective to reduce or eliminate the occurrence or severity of side effects that would normally be associated with the administration of IFN- α and IFN- γ .
- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the individual has been exposed to a virus, and the IFN- α are administered within 24 hours of exposure to the virus.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the individual has been exposed to a virus, and the IFN- α are administered within 48 hours of exposure to the virus.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the individual has been exposed to a virus, and the IFN- α are administered 72 hours to 35 days after exposure to the virus.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the IFN- α are administered subcutaneously.
- 6. (Original) The method of any one of claims 1-5, further comprising administering an effective amount of a nucleotide analog or a nucleoside analog.
- 7. (Original) The method of any one of claims 1-5, wherein the IFN- α is a consensus interferon.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method of treating a viral infection, the method comprising administering to an individual an effective amount of IFN-α and an effective amount of IFN-γ, and co-administering an amount of a non-pirfenidone/pirfenidone non-pirfenidone or non-pirfenidone

analog agent effective to reduce or eliminate the occurrence or severity of pain that would normally be associated with the viral infection and/or the administration of IFN-α and IFN-γ.

- 9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the IFN- α and the IFN- α are administered subcutaneously.
- 10. (Original) The method of any one of claims 8, further comprising administering an effective amount of a nucleotide analog or a nucleoside analog.
- 11. (Original) The method of any one of claims 8-10, wherein the IFN- α is a consensus interferon.
- 12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the non-pirfenidone/pirfenidone-non-pirfenidone or non-pirfenidone analog agent is a non-narcotic analgesic.
- 13. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the non-pirfenidone/pirfenidone non-pirfenidone or non-pirfenidone analog agent is a non-narcotic analgesic.